NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND SOLICITATION OF PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE FY2003 MARICOPA HOME CONSORTIUM ANNUAL PLAN (YEAR 4 OF 5) AND FY2000 CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION REPORT (CAPER)

The Maricopa HOME Consortium will hold a public hearing on April 17, 2003, at Phoenix Corporate Center, 3003 N. Central Avenue, Suite 1040, in Phoenix, Arizona, at 9:30 a.m., to obtain citizen input and comment on its draft Annual Plan (AP) for FY2003. The AP implements year 4 of the 5-year Consolidated Plan which guides the use for 4 formula grants and 16 competitive grants for federal housing and homeless assistance. A public review and comment period has been initiated to allow public input in compliance with federal regulations. The review period commences on March 28, 2003 with this publication and ends at 5:00 p.m. on April 29, 2003.

ORGANIZATIONS INVOLVED AND PLACES TO SECURE COPIES OR REVIEW THE PLANS:

Copies of the Maricopa HOME Consortium FY2000-2004 Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, Citizen Participation Plan and previous annual CAPER concerning the past use of urban county CDBG, HOME, and ESG are also available at the following locations:

- Maricopa County Library, Main Branch, 17811 N. 32nd Street in Phoenix, AZ
- Maricopa County Branch Library, 14010 N. El Mirage Road, El Mirage, AZ
- Maricopa County Branch Library, 9401 S. 51st Avenue, Laveen, AZ
- Maricopa County Branch Library, 22407 S. Ellsworth Road, Queen Creek, AZ

A summary of the Maricopa HOME Consortium FY2000-2004 Consolidated Plan and draft FY2003 AP can be accessed on the Internet at www.maricopa.gov/comm_dev

The membership of the Maricopa HOME Consortium consists of the following organizations and copies of each unit of local government's Annual Plan may be secured by contacting the following individuals and organizations:

- Ms. Isabel McDougall, Maricopa County Community Development, (602) 240-2210 concerning the Consortium Annual Plan and Maricopa Urban County CP. Ms. McDougall's address is Maricopa County Community Development, 3003 N. Central, Suite 1040, Phoenix, AZ 85012-2906. The fax number is (602) 240-6960 & E-mail is isabelmc@mccd.maricopa.gov
- Mr. Pat Tyrrell, City of Chandler, at (480) 782-3210. Mr. Tyrrell's address is City of Chandler, 265 E. Buffalo Street, Chandler, AZ 85225-5593. The fax number is (480) 782-3220 & E-mail is patrick.Tyrrell@ci.chandler.az.us
- Mr. Carl Harris-Morgan, Town of Gilbert, at (480) 503-6893. Mr. Harris-Morgan's address is Town of Gilbert, 90 E. Civic Center Drive, Gilbert, AZ 85296. The fax number is (480) 503-6170 & E-mail is carlhm@ci.gilbert.az.us
- Mr. Gilbert Lopez, City of Glendale, at (623) 930-3670. Mr. Lopez's address is City of Glendale, 6829 N. 58th Drive, Suite 104, Glendale, AZ 85301-3222. The fax number is (623) 435-8594 & E-mail is glopez@ci.glendale.az.us

- Ms. Kathleen "Kit" Kelly, City of Mesa, at (480) 644-2168. Ms. Kelly's address is City of Mesa, PO Box 1466, Mesa, AZ 85211-1466. The fax number is (480) 644-4842 & Email is Kathleen.Kelly@cityofmesa.org
- Mr. William "Bill" Patena, City of Peoria, at (623) 773-7167. Mr. Patena's address is City of Peoria, 8401 W. Monroe, Peoria, AZ 85345-6560. The fax number is (623) 773-7256 & E-mail is billp@peoriaaz.com
- Mr. Mark Bethel, City of Scottsdale, at (480) 312-2309. Mr. Bethel's address is City of Scottsdale, 7522 E. First Street, Scottsdale, AZ 85251-4502. The fax number is (480) 312-7761 & E-mail is MBETHEL@ci.scottsdale.az.us
- Ms. Terri Amabisca, City of Tempe, at (480) 350-8960. Ms. Amabisca's address is City of Tempe, PO Box 5002, Tempe, AZ 85280-5002. The fax number is (480) 350-8902 & E-mail is terri_amabisca@tempe.gov

Information on the past performance of the Consortium and its membership associated with CDBG, HOME, ESG and HOPWA are also available from the parties noted above, as well as copies of the FY2000-2004 Citizen Participation Plan.

Each of the aforementioned organizations (cities/town) will hold a public hearing and execute a 30-day public comment process of their own concerning their individual Annual FY2003 Plans. These documents discuss housing and non-housing community development needs and strategies for each Consortium member and will address the use of CDBG and HOME resources on a detailed basis. Contact such individuals for information or technical assistance, as well as comments (verbal or written) concerning the FY2000-2004 Maricopa HOME Consolidated Plan and their Annual FY2003 Implementation Plans.

A summary of the contents of the FY2003 Maricopa HOME Annual Plan follows.

In the forthcoming fiscal year, a significant portion of the federal HOME and CDBG resources used by Consortium members for affordable housing are anticipated to be expended on housing rehabilitation and activities to increase the supply of affordable rental housing in targeted geographic areas.

HOME

The anticipated \$6.1 million in federal HOME resources anticipated being available to Consortium members would be distributed in the following manner:

Consortium Municipality	Amount
Chandler	\$479,907
Gilbert	\$188,935
Glendale	\$820,837
Maricopa County	\$1,185,712
Mesa	\$1,257,446
Peoria	\$226,782
Scottsdale	\$423,892
Tempe	\$602,230
CHDO Allocation	\$915,131
(Anywhere in Consortium	(or 15% of total
Service Area)	allocation)

ESG

About \$123,000 in FY2003 Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) is anticipated to be available to Maricopa County Human Services. Maricopa County Human Services intends on committing approximately 30 percent (30%) of its annual available ESG resources for homeless prevention via short-term rental support coupled with needed support services to persons "at risk", while committing the balance of available ESG funds to support shelter operations cost, the selected operations costs for either transitional or emergency facilities in Maricopa County serving homeless families. One site will deal with victims of domestic violence.

In FY2003, the City of Mesa anticipates receiving \$122,000 in ESG funds. The funds are to be used for operations of homeless facilities.

CDBG

The commitment of CDBG resources for affordable housing varies for each member of the Maricopa HOME Consortium. Contact the individuals noted above for details in this regard, as well as refer to each member's planning documents for information.

Consortium members will also take specific actions to affirmatively further fair housing, seek to reduce the number of persons in poverty and encourage public housing residents to avail themselves of homeownership opportunities. Refer to Section 3.0 of the FY2000-2004 Consortium CP as well as each member's CP for more details.

AMENDMENT TO 2000-2004 CONSOLIDATED PLAN

CONTENT OF PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD

The agenda for the public hearing to be held on April 17, 2003, at Phoenix Corporate Center, 3003 North Central, Suite 1040, in Phoenix, Arizona, at 9:30 a.m. will include, but not be limited to, the following items:

- The amount of HOME and ESG resources anticipated to be made available within the region. It is anticipated that \$6.1 million of HOME and \$245,000 of ESG (\$123,000 for the Urban County and about \$122,000 for the City of Mesa) will be available. HOME funds may be used for rehabilitation, tenant assistance, new construction, homebuyer assistance, or the acquisition or refurbishment of rental housing, and other related housing activities. Federal Emergency Shelter grants may be used for homeless prevention activities, for the renovation or conversion of buildings, for emergency/transitional homeless facilities, or for essential social services and operational costs for homeless providers.
- Estimates associated with the number of very low- and low-income persons residing within the Consortium service area that are anticipated to benefit from ESG and HOME resources secured in FY2003.
- Plans by affected HOME Consortium members to minimize the displacement of persons from the intended uses of ESG and HOME resources anticipated to be invested during FY2003 and efforts to assist any persons displaced.
- A review of the contents of the draft FY2003 Maricopa HOME Consortium Annual Plan and solicitation of written or verbal public comments on the draft.

Written comments on the Maricopa HOME Consortium Annual Plan may be mailed, faxed or Emailed to the individuals at the addresses noted above. Maricopa County does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, familial circumstance, sex, handicap or age in any of its policies, procedures or practices. This nondiscrimination policy covers admission and access to or treatment or employment in Community Development's programs and activities. Attendees with disabilities are encouraged to contact Maricopa County Community Development for any special facilities required.

Accommodations for Individuals with Disabilities. For assistance call Community Development, 3003 North Central, Suite 1040, Phoenix, Arizona 85012, (602) 240-2210, Or TDD/TTY (602) 240-6956. To the extent possible, additional reasonable accommodations will be made available within time constraints of the request.